

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Serbin, Texas

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The Day of Pentecost

24 May 2026

Welcome! *The Risen Lord Jesus Pours Out the Holy Spirit.* The Lord took “some of the Spirit” that was on Moses “and put it on the seventy elders” of Israel (Num. 11:25), and they “prophesied in the camp” (Num. 11:26). In the same way, our risen Lord Jesus poured out His Holy Spirit at the Feast of Pentecost — the 50th day and the “Eighth Sunday” of Easter. When “a sound like a mighty rushing wind” and “tongues as of fire appeared” and rested on each of the 12 apostles, “they were all filled with the Holy Spirit” and proclaimed “the mighty works of God” (Acts 2:2–4, 11). The Lord Jesus grants this same Spirit to His Church on earth to proclaim Him glorified on the cross and risen victorious from the grave for us sinners. From His open heart, our crucified and risen Lord pours out His Holy Spirit in “rivers of living water” (John 7:38) and invites everyone who thirsts to come to Him and drink freely (John 7:37). Through this life-giving work of the Holy Spirit, we hear our pastors “telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God” (Acts 2:11), and “everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Acts 2:21). We invite you all to worship with us again and ask our visitors to please sign our Guest Book. Greeting you at the register this morning, Janet Oltmann and Lil Robertson.

In Our Prayers: Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Chris Birnbaum-surgery
Troy Bise-hospitalized
Monroe Brade (uncle of James, Johnny, Larry & Leroy Kalbas)
Carl Dittmar-recovering (father of Jennifer Smith)
David Gersch-recovering
Herbert Handrick (uncle of Shannon Handrick)
Cathy Harrel-recovering from surgery (Aunt of Laurie Kasper)
Billy Krause-recovering
Paula Krause-recovering
Ruth Kluetz-recovering
Mike Maass-recovering
Rueben Melcher (uncle of James, Johnny, Larry & Leroy Kalbas)
Chris Miertschin-recovering
Andrea Muniz (mother of Robert Muniz)
Gene Namken-recovering (brother of Linda Oltmann)
Darrell Sanders-recovering from surgery (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

Kelsey Schatte-recovering
Nicholas Taylor-recovering
David Wachsmann (cousin of Billy Krause)
Alton Weiser-recovering
Linda Wilkins-recovering
Bev Witt (friend of Delvin & Judy Boriack)

Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins.

Those fighting cancer including:

Teresita Brodrick (aunt of David Wittman)
Vernon Bryant (friend of Dianna Noack)
Brandon Cleland (brother of Sonya Schautschick)
Dana Herzog (niece of Becky Weise)
Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)
John Huenefeld (friend of Craig & Melodi Oltmann)
Brenda Karisch (friend of Bonnie Wenke family)
Steven Kelly (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner, brother-in-law of Christi Bradford)
Bethany Lara (daughter of Kathy Gersch)
Jensyn Lesikar-nephew of Kasey Rosales
Ruby Maass (mother of Linda Schonhoeft)
Rhonda Mitschke (friend of Christi Fritsche)
Walter Rehle (friend of the Arldts from Germany)
Carol Sander
Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Nancy Schautschick
Karen Symm (sister of Michael Symm)
Tina Warren (mother of Jason Heuermann)
Jordan Weidemann (friend of Byron Kalbas)
Judy Westbrook (mother of Heather Krause)

Those serving in the Armed Forces including:

Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Bliss, El Paso
Coy Hunt (son of Shannon & Christine Hunt) Ft. Drum, New York
Aron Marak (nephew of Mike & Susie Maass) Fr. Bragg, North Carolina
Dylan Robbins (cousin of Michelle Birnbaum) Jacksonville, NC
Kyler Brown (friend of Dorothy Schautschick) U.S. Navy-Bahrain
Benjamin Symm, Australia
Jacob Droegemueller Ft. Stewart, Georgia
Brittany Loudon (daughter of Bryan and Antoinette Winkles) Navy, stationed in Florida
Kolton Allen (nephew of Mike & Susie Maass) Army, stationed at Ft. Sill, Lawton, OK

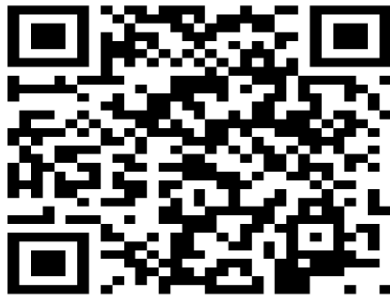
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Prayer Requests are always welcome. To have someone included in our Sunday morning prayers either call the church office through the week or write out the request

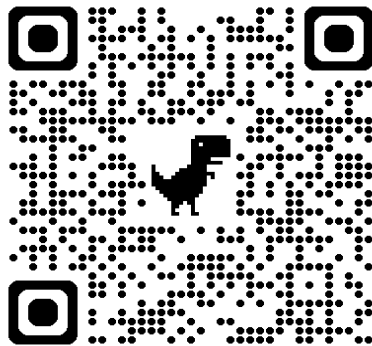


Thank you to Alicia Moerbe and Kelsey Schatte for co-directing Vacation Bible School this year.

Register NOW for VBS JUNE 8th-12th! During the Tropical Trek VBS, we will have an unforgettable journey with Jesus! Scan the QR code, or visit the church website, to register.



Sign-up to bring Snack items- "Scan the Snack QR code, or visit the church website, to volunteer to bring items needed for Snack"



The Order of Service– 184 of the hymnal

The Hymns: 699, 497, 781 v. 1&2, 913, 906

Sermon Text: Acts 2:1-21

The Sermon: **“How Well Do You Communicate?”**

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God by the 50th Confirmation Class.
- † **Altar flowers** are needed for every Sunday in June. If you would like to place altar flowers in June, please contact Dorothy Schautschick at 716-0094.
- † **Congratulations** to Austin and Jessa Mattocks on the birth of a daughter, Elsie Jean Mattocks. She was born Wednesday, May 12, 2026 in Austin, TX. She weighed 7bs. 12ozs and was 19 ¾ inches long. May God bless this growing family.
- † **Community League Baseball** – The Serbin Jackrabbits will play Flatonia today at Serbin. Time for the game is 2:00 p.m. Next Sunday, May 31st, Serbin will play Weimar at Serbin. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m.
- † **April Financial Statements.** The April Financial Statements are available from the ushers this morning.
- † **The Church Office** will be closed on Monday, May 25th in observance of Memorial Day.
- † **The Early Childhood Center** will be closed on Monday, May 25th, in observance of Memorial Day.
- † **St. Paul Lutheran School 8th Grade graduates:** Dylan Matthew Arldt, Nathen Ray Barnett, Bryn Leigh-Anne Henderson, Addisyn Kate Hoover, Sarah Rose Meyer, Whitlee Rynn Smolik, Max Michael Sommerfield.
- † **Special Voters Meeting:** There will be a Special Voters Meeting on Sunday, May 31st, immediately following the service, to approve Contract Teacher salaries, ECC Director salary, and also to approve Billy Isom to wax the floors in the school. There will be no Adult Bible Class.
- † **St. Paul Lutheran School** is seeking a part-time Head Cook for the 2026–2027 school year. Pay is dependent on experience. Interested applicants should send a resume to kschatte@stpaulserbinschool.org.
- † **Sunday School Help.** We are looking for Sunday School Teachers for grades 3 & 4, and a helper for Kindergarten. Please consider donating your time and talents in service to the Lord and join our Sunday.

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 338, Communion- 126, Bible Class- 22; Sunday School- 17, Offering- \$17.00.

Offering Last Week: \$32,592.99

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$6,023.22	Mission	\$294.00
Sunday School	\$17.00	Mission Total	\$294.00
Lunch Room	\$633.00	Savings/Other:	
ECC Operating	\$13,992.93	Building Fund	
Tuition	\$9,564.34	Ascension	\$1,016.00
Received 5/17/2026	\$30,230.49	Bus Replacement Fund	\$52.50
		Savings/Other Total	\$1,068.50
Est. needed per week	\$33,625.00		
Received MTD	\$85,692.38	Total	\$31,592.99
Est. needed per month	\$145,708.00		

MEMORIALS: General: In honor of Lucille Schatte’s 94th birthday by Martin & Jeannie Werchan - \$94.00. In memory of Richard Stolle by Wilbert & Carol Jean Noack - \$40.00; by Kevin & Sherri Coffman - \$25.00.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, May 31st, **A Friendly Recommendation**”. Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. What happens when you find out that acquiring everything you’ve ever wanted...still isn’t enough? Genesis 1:25. Hear *The Lutheran Hour* each Sunday on station KBUK-FM 104.9 at 7:00 a.m. or on station KANJ-FM 91.5 at 12:30 p.m. or go to lhm.org for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

Serving today: Elders– Keith Oltmann and Tim Weise
Organist- Susan Michael
Acolytes- Whitley Smolik and Max Sommerfield
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Craig Oltmann **Assistant-** Payton Oltmann
Ushers- Bradley Albrecht, Lane Gersch, Cole Kalbas, Seth Kalbas, Nathan Michael, Kaleb Oltmann, Chase Oltmann, Curtis Oltmann, Gary Oltmann, Grant Oltmann

Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Glen Albrecht
Daniel Marak, Virgil Becker, Jeff Claxton

Large Print Worship Guides are available. If you have difficulty finding your way in the hymnal or seeing smaller print, ask an usher for a large print worship guide.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year:

May 24 – The Day of Pentecost.

When it comes to issues such as abortion, physician-assisted suicide, and euthanasia, man always thinks that he knows best. It is easy to create our own justification, for like the people at the Tower of Bable (Genesis 11), We want to “make a name” for ourselves. Yet our sin and rebellion only bring confusion and division. But God sent us the Holy Spirit on Pentecost (Acts 2) that we would speak with one voice the truth of the Gospel: that Jesus Christ died on the cross to pay for our sins and by His resurrection has set us free, even from the darkness that lurks in our past. The Spirit “teaches us all thing”—all that Jesus has done for us—that our “hearts would not be troubled or afraid” (John 14). Thus, we pray as in Psalm 143:10: “Let Your good Spirit lead me on level ground!”



*Join us in the shade of the oaks and cedars
for the 132nd Serbin Picnic*